TRUMBULL CONSERVATION COMMISSION MINUTES NOVEMBER 19, 2009 NICHOLS ROOM AT TOWN HALL

The meeting was called to order at 7:45 by MaryEllen LeMay. In attendance were Joanne Parsons, Dale Parsons, and Julie Jenkins.

The minutes from the October meeting were approved as written.

There is nothing new with Great Oak Park.

MaryEllen suggested we put the \$1500 donation for the Southwest Conservation Commission into our budget for the next year.

No new pending Inland Wetland applications were found in our mailbox.

Joanne and Dale attended the Connecticut Association of Conservation and Inland Wetlands Commissions conference in November. One workshop was about getting grant money for watershed areas. There is a possibility that with the GIS system, we could produce all of the information needed to apply for the grant under EPA Section 319 of the Clean Water Act. Joanne and Dale also said that the conference gave out information about invasive species, Asian Long Horn Beetle, and the deer overpopulation. These are all topics that could be addressed by the Conservation Commission.

Mary Ellen brought up the magnet school which is proposed on Quarry Road. This is state owned land within Trumbull borders. We will monitor its progress through the town boards.

We discussed the members of the commission whose terms were ending. With new membership, we thought it would be good to look at voting for a new chairmanship.

Dale discussed the solar panels that the Nature and Arts Center wants to purchase, and said the location for the panels is a good fit for their use. They may not provide a lot of energy for the building, but they would be a good educational tool.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:40.

Respectfully submitted by Julie Jenkins.